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Subject: One point to fix

One undeniable fix would be to force the company (MS) to reveal its file formats (like ".doc" ".ppt", etc) to the public; to disallow them from changing even a single "1" or "0" in the coding of the file formats of a released product without giving 100% complete detail of the changes; and not allowing them to release such changes into a product until a given (long) amount of time after it is confirmed that all competitors have the details. In effect, the company's file formats will be public domain and allow competition with the products it's monopoly helped it to make prolific.